

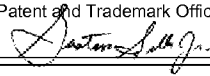
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Atsushi Masuda

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For: SHUTTER-DRIVING DEVICE COMBINED WITH  
A DIAPHRAGM

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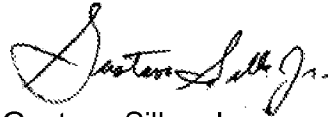
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Dear Sir:

Applicant filed the above-identified application on May 19, 2004, but has not yet received a first Office Action. Please advise the undersigned attorney as to when a first Office Action is expected to issue on this application.

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